

Letter from Gardiner Greene Hubbard to Alexander Graham Bell, June 2, 1875, with transcript

Letter from Gardiner Greene Hubbard to Alexander Graham Bell. Cambridge, Massachusetts. June 2, 1875. Dear Mr. Bell:

Your letter did not arrive yesterday until I had gone to the city. I shall not go in again until I hear from you — that you have finished and set in operation at least five instruments for transmitting and receiving autograph messages through a live wire. I do not see how you can very well succeed until you have a clock work mechanism for both ends of your line, for only with that can you regulate the movement. You will be obliged also to have them sooner or later, when they are finished you can make much better experiments.

I hope you have seen Mr. Milliken before this, and made arrangements with him to see your instruments occasionally and advise you.

I am very sorry to hear you did not sleep well. Am not surprised that you were not well. Have you given up cold tea and tried porter and regular exercise.

Mabel will not go in tomorrow, as she has engagements for both, afternoon and evening. I am,

Yours truly, Gardiner G. Hubbard.